

Legislative Council Finance Committee
Follow-up to FCR(2020-21)15 at the meeting on 22 May 2020

On the percentage share of the Ocean Park's expenditure on conservation and education as well as rides to the annual operating costs, this note summarises the information provided by Ocean Park as follows:

2. Over the past five years, Ocean Park spent on average about \$280 million each year on conservation and education work which constituted around 20.5% of annual operating costs. Relevant expenditures include staff costs, repairs and maintenance, utilities, animal cost, shows and exhibitions, advertising and promotion, insurance, related office expenses as well as donations and administrative support provided for the Hong Kong Ocean Park Conservation Foundation, etc.

3. As regard the rides, Ocean Park spent an average of about \$120 million each year during the same period which constituted around 8.5% of annual operating costs. Relevant expenditures include staff costs, repairs and maintenance, utilities, insurance and related office expenses, etc.

4. The above expenditures do not include the capital costs and depreciation of the animal exhibit facilities and the rides.

5. Also for Members' reference, if the operating costs are categorised by functional nature (but not the above categorisation by the Park's operation), the major type of expenditures of Ocean Park over the past five years was the staff costs, with an average of about \$690 million each year which constituted around 50.4% of the annual operating costs.

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